

**School board
OK's job cuts**

EDUCATION Nearly 280 job cuts were approved as a part of the 2010 Calgary Board of Education budget after a meeting last night.

The 2010/2011 operating budget also sees the CBE running a deficit of \$10 million with all of its operating reserves depleted, according to board officials.

"This is an extremely sad time for many of our staff, students and parents," said CBE chair Pat Cochrane.

"We recruit the best staff from across the country and knowing we'll have fewer of them for the new school year is very difficult."

The board still needs ministerial approval by June 30 to run the deficit.

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Reality TV duo made Stampede marshals

This year's amazing Calgary Stampede parade marshals won't have to work on their yahoos, because for only the sixth time in history, officials have decided to go back to the event's cowboy roots.

Leading the July 9 parade will be brothers Jet and Cord McCoy, runners-up in the recent instalment of the reality TV show The Amazing Race. The "gentlemen" cowboys captured the interest of Stampede president Dr. David Chalack for unfailingly donning their cowboy hats around the world.

"The 10 days of Stampede is when regular people become cowboys and cowboys become heroes," Chalack said yesterday.

"These young men are a reminder that cowboy ethics never go out of fashion. They were true to their values to the very end."

Cord, a professional bull rider, participated in the 2005 Stampede — and he will ride again this year.

"It's quite an honour to ride in Calgary Stampede. We're all the way from Oklahoma and definitely hear stories of how great the Stampede is," Cord said.

"It almost teased me with the championship and to be able to ride again and hopefully win the \$100,000 is amazing."

"There is so much tradition here and we've known about it since we were old enough to know what rodeo was," Jet added.

Also participating in the parade will be Vancouver Olympians like gold-medal speed skater Kristina Groves.

As well, there will be tributes to the Calgary police and fire departments, which are celebrating their 125th anniversaries.

July 9 will be "Police and Fire Day" at the Stampede, Chalack said.

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Stampede Tweets

What do you think of the selection of Jet and Cord McCoy as 2010 Calgary Stampede parade marshals?

@regtianga @metrocalgary It's nice 2 see real working cowboys (w/ one actually competing in the Rodeo this yr) chosen, even if they're from the US

@nancyamerica @metrocalgary I love the idea! They were great on the Amazing Race and I'm sure they'll be great parade marshals.

@calgaryrants @metrocalgary Remember when the Stampede Parade Marshal

was someone important? Me neither...it's been so long. Maybe Teletubbies next year? #yc

@carter_bb0ld @metrocalgary Not much!! Amazing Race contestants. What a joke. #fail

@ajproc @metrocalgary Parade marshals....confused and perplexed at why Jet and Cord McCoy were picked #yc
@doglover100 @metrocalgary Call me old-fashioned, but I'd like to see a Canadian or Cal-garian rather than a couple of half-assed celebrities.



Jet, left, and Cord McCoy, runners-up in the most recent instalment of the CBS reality TV series The Amazing Race, were named parade marshals yesterday for the 2010 Calgary Stampede parade on July 9.

Children approached by stranger in southeast

SEARCH Police are investigating a possible connection after two reported incidents of young children being approached by an unfamiliar person in southeast Calgary.

On Monday, a passerby saw a man talking to a young child in the southeast neighbourhood of Applewood Park around 4:30 p.m. The man fled when approached and police were then contacted.

A similar instance took place on May 24 in the adjacent neighbourhood of Abbeydale, when a man fitting the same description as the Applewood male approached a nine-year-old girl at 3:30 p.m. He showed her pictures on his cellphone and fled when approached by a witness, said acting Staff Sgt. Mark Hatchette.

"Similar descriptions, similar instances, similar area," Hatchette said. "All those lead us to believe that it's possibly the same person. However, we're not ruling out that there are two separate individuals."

The man is described as Caucasian, 35 to 45 years old with dirty, brown collar-length hair. He was also wearing dirty clothing.

"Right now, we want to find out who this individual is and find out what their motives are for approaching children in these communities," Hatchette said.

Those with information are asked to call 403-266-1234.

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Horse retires as champ

Grated Coconut, the Calgary Stampede's six-time world champion bucking horse, has officially retired as a champion, Stampede officials announced yesterday. "In watching him closely this spring out at Stampede Ranch, it is clear he is now primarily interested in spending time with the mares," Stampede president Dr. David Chalack said.

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News in brief

HEALTH The Health Advisory Council covering the Calgary area is hosting three community workshops to listen to and discuss what should be included in Alberta's new health legislation. Members of the public are encouraged to pre-register for the community workshops by calling 1-888-436-0986 for more information or by e-mailing yourhealthact@buksa.com. **METRO CALGARY**

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U of C votes in new chief

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for Metro Calgary

Members of the University of Calgary's senate elected Jim Dinning as chancellor yesterday, replacing Joanne Cuthbertson as the ceremonial head of the university.

"I'm delighted!" said Dinning.

"I can't think of a more exciting time to be joining this vital Calgary institution."

During his four-year term as chancellor, Dinning will chair the university's senate, represent the university at ceremonial occasions, preside over convocation ceremonies and confer degrees on behalf of the senate.

He will also work to be the voice of the university in the community, and remind Calgary of the U of C's essential role in the city.



SHEILA BORYS FOR METRO CALGARY

Former Alberta MLA Jim Dinning was elected chancellor of the University of Calgary by the school's senate, and will represent the school in the community.

"It is the only research intensive post-secondary facility of its kind in southern Alberta," said Dinning, former MLA for Calgary-Lougheed under the Klein administration.

"If you think of things that happen in society which are new — that de-

fine innovation — a lot of those things come from here at the University of Calgary.

"Let's let the students see that, but more, let's let the people of Calgary see that." He said he would bring a passion for post-secondary education to the

job, which he will use to position the university for success in the long-term.

"When it comes to serving our community, there are few people as passionate and accomplished as Jim Dinning," said outgoing chancellor Joanne Cuthbertson.

Calgarians say taxes for services OK: Report

KATIE TURNER
for Metro Calgary

VISION Several council members and mayoral hopefuls were briefed on a new report outlining Calgarian's vision for the city yesterday.

The Parkland Institute released a 32-page report addressing how citizens feel the City of Calgary manages its budgetary issues.

"We had a few councilors here and a few mayoral candidates and it was

a very constructive discussion," said the report's author David Thompson.

According to the report's findings, Calgarians are willing to pay more in taxes in return for "excellent public services and facilities." However, Thompson said that most Calgarians don't favour property tax as a means of raising revenue.

"Property taxes are a regressive form of taxation that is not favoured by a majority of Calgarians," he said.

Following Thompson's

presentation, Ald. Bob Hawkesworth said the report's conclusion is nothing new.

"In the climate that we're in, municipalities are having a very hard time financing the services and facilities they require under almost total reliance on the property tax," said Hawkesworth. "Municipalities have been saying this for years and now another independent institute is joining the chorus."

The information was collected from various polls including the Imagine Cal-

gary Plan, which received input from more than 18,000 Calgarians.

Parkland Institute report author David Thompson addresses potential candidates.

KATIE TURNER FOR METRO CALGARY

At a joint news conference in Montreal yesterday, Alberta's Ted Morton and Quebec's Raymond Bachand argued a centralized system would be no improvement from the status quo if several provinces decided to opt out.

Morton says he's confident other provinces will join their side as the Supreme Court decides whether a national regulator infringes on provincial jurisdiction.

Federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty unveiled draft legislation last month to give the Canadian Securities Regulatory Authority new powers to fight such financial crimes as insider trading.

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Saxophonist Kenny G is set to woo Calgarians on Aug. 16 with a concert at the Jubilee Auditorium following the release of his new album Heart and Soul. Tickets go on sale Friday at 10 a.m. at www.livenation.com METRO CALGARY

Kenny G comes to Calgary

Allegations on council's agenda

Fraud accusations one item of many that councillors hope to deal with before election

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It's not Christmas yet, but a number of city council members have a wish list of priorities they'd like to see taken care of before the summer — and before the October election.

Mount Royal University political scientist Duane Bratt said council should remember that the audit and fraud allegations is-

sue will be fresh in Calgarians' minds before they go on break.

"It's an important issue and something that is in the forefront of everyone's minds and should be dealt with," Bratt said.

And that's exactly what Ward 12 Ald. Ric McIver plans to do tomorrow morning at the audit committee when he asks to add a re-

view of the city manager's report to the agenda.

"It seems unbalanced to me that the report was the subject of an extensive report from administration to council while the committee hasn't had the benefit of questioning or responding to it," McIver said.

McIver also would have liked to see snow removal



Ric McIver

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Duane Bratt, political scientist

dealt with before council's end.

"It's not that hard and we've talked about it long enough. We've done study after study," McIver said.

The face of council will change dramatically after the election and Mayor

involved in the project so it would be nice to see it dealt with," Bronconnier said.

But the mayor's biggest priority for council is the West Village redevelopment, which he believes would revive the area.

"It would be great for the city and great for Calgarians, but the key of course is just to make sure the plans are ready and get through the public hearing portion."

News in brief

WAGES Advocates are calling on the provincial government to raise minimum wage. New statistics were presented to the Alberta government committee reviewing the minimum wage policy and reveal the province has 223,600 people earn less than \$12 per hour and 112,200 earn less than \$10 per hour, according to Public Interest Alberta executive director Bill Moore-Kilgannon.

NURSING The Alberta Health Services' bargaining team will ask its board of directors to approve a mediator's recommendations for a new, three-year agreement with the United Nurses of Alberta (UNA). If the recommendations are accepted, there would be a zero per cent wage increase in year one, a zero per cent wage increase in year two, and a four per cent wage increase in year three.

DRUGS Calgary RCMP drug officials seized two kilograms of cocaine and drug paraphernalia after conducting a search warrant on a northwest home on June 4. Two people are facing drug charges after police seized the drug and drug manufacturing materials in a home on Royal Birkdale Cr. NW. Jacob Calkins, 24 and Amy Honeychurch, 22, will appear in court on June 28.

METRO CALGARY

Vacancies up, rent down

PETER MCCARTNEY
for Metro Calgary

PROPERTY Calgary's vacancies were up while rents were down for April over last year, according to a report released yesterday, which means good news for students looking for housing.

The report from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation said vacancies for two bedroom apartments rose 2.6 per cent to 6.8 over last year, while average rent for the same fell from \$1,106 to \$1,082, the third highest in the country.

Kelda Lundmark, a student at the University of Calgary said high vacancy rates made it possible for her to find the house she and her four roommates were looking for.

"Close to the university it's hard to find a place," she said "but there were quite a few options, even on our street we looked at three houses."

Lundmark lives in west Bragg Creek, a 45-minute drive from the university, so she decided to move in



A new report from Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation says the rental market in Calgary is softening compared with previous years.

with some friends for her second year. She said they looked at around eight houses, all near the university, before settling on theirs.

"The lower rent lets me not have to work as much so I can study more," said Lundmark.

Several factors have led to the more renter-friendly

market.

"Rental construction and competition from the condominium market added upward pressure on vacancy rates and historically low mortgage rates attracted renter households towards home ownership over the last year," said Bob Dugan, chief economist at CMHC.

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Great Big Sea tickets start selling on Friday

News in brief

ELECTION Calgary businessman Al Browne announced yesterday he will be running for Ward 12 alderman in the upcoming October election. Browne has pledged to bring transparency to city hall by leading by example. Ward 12 is an open race since current Ald. Ric McIver threw his hat into the mix for Calgary mayor.

IDEA CITY Mount Royal University will be hosting "Canada's Première Meeting of the Minds" via live satellite this week as IdeaCity takes place in Toronto. Fifty speakers including Robert Kennedy Jr., Michael Ignatieff and Romeo Dallaire will come together for a single discussion. The free event is being held at the MRU Liberty Lounge from June 16-18. It runs from 6:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

CLEANUP City workers, bylaw services and police cleaned the Cliff Bungalow escarpment yesterday. They cleaned garbage from the park, which is off limits to the public at the moment due to erosion concerns. Const. Todd Nichol said the Cliff Bungalow Community Association raised concerns about the state of the park.

CONDOLENCES Premier Ed Stelmach issued a statement yesterday mourning the loss of former MLA Dave Broda, who was killed in a car crash on the weekend. "I am deeply saddened by the sudden loss of Dave. Dave was a dear friend and colleague who devoted years of his life to serving Albertans as a member of the legislative assembly and I had the pleasure of working closely with him. I will always treasure my memories of his infectious laughter and his love of life," Stelmach said in a statement.

ANIMAL CRUELTY A Calgary man who beat his dog was handed a nine-month conditional sentence in a Calgary court yesterday afternoon. Donald Ainsworth is only allowed to leave his home to go to work and do absolutely necessary activities, such as going to the doctor. Ainsworth pleaded guilty to one count of animal cruelty, and was also given a five-year ban from living with pets. Ainsworth admitted to hitting his miniature pincher Gucci with a flashlight causing it to lose its eye after it urinated on the floor of his home.

METRO CALGARY

New emergency centre unveiled

Rockyview's \$26M reno set to admit 70,000 patients a year

JESSICA PICHE
for Metro Calgary

Patients can expect a shorter admitting wait time at the new Rockyview hospital emergency department.

The doors to the \$26-million project officially opened this morning at 6 a.m. More than 70,000 patients will be admitted through the new centre annually.

The original emergency department was designed to treat about 100 patients per day, said Gene Zwozdesky, minister of health and wellness. In reality, over double that are treated daily.

"That's quite an enormous stress on the system, which is obviously going to be now addressed and alleviated," said Zwozdesky.

Alberta Health Services is aiming to reduce the median wait time for emergency admittance from 3.2 hours to 2.5 hours, said Alberta Health Services board chairmen Ken Hughes.

"We are on a path to even shorter wait times in future

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years," said Hughes.

The expansion will also help alleviate stress on physicians and hospital staff, said Dr. Grant Innes, clinical department head of emergency medicine. The latest equipment and technology will mean quicker diagnoses and treatment.

"I think this is going to be a better place for physicians, nurses, staff, patients," said Innes. "It will be a very good place to work."

Along with additional space, the department will also feature improved infection prevention and control infrastructure, increased privacy, and state-of-the-art resuscitation rooms. Six additional ambulance bays and a new helipad will assist in the transition of patients arriving by EMS and STARS.



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Alberta Health Services unveiled a \$26-million renovation to the Rockyview General Hospital's Emergency department — and it's open for service as of this morning.

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Luxury meets eco-friendly with the Fisker Karma auto, to be introduced to Calgary this Friday.

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Initial customer deliveries are expected to begin in 2011. The Fisker Karma order group, the Fisker Karma is already exceeds 1,600 vehicles.

Fraud suspect turns himself in

ARREST Police have arrested a man in connection with an alleged loan and mortgage scam after the suspect turned himself in to police Tuesday.

Richard William Hoffman, 38, was wanted for allegedly bilking an elderly couple out of the southeast home they have lived in for forty years.

The couple signed papers for a reverse mort-

gage allegedly from the suspect when they borrowed \$84,000 from the man at an illegal 65 per cent interest.

They had their house foreclosed when they owed him \$150,000, but a court injunction has been issued.

Hoffman is facing charges of charging criminal interest rates.

METRO CALGARY

Smart-card proposals due soon

ELECTRONIC PAYMENT Calgary Transit is inching closer to piloting "smart-card"-like technology for the city's transit system.

The request for proposals will close at the end of this month and then Calgary Transit will begin to look into the best method of electronic payment, said spokesperson Ron Collins.

"It's kind of up in the air until we have somebody who can tell us, sug-

gest to us which way to go," he said. "We're not discounting different possibilities right now but it'll be along the line of smart-card technology."

Transit is hoping to have a vendor selected by November of this year but the technology won't be introduced until 2012, said Collins.

"Eventually it's going to happen, it's just it's a work in progress."

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Prostate Cancer Canada is hoping Canadians will "tie 'em up for men" this Father's Day to help raise funds for the most prevalent cancer among men. The Safeway Father's Day Walk/Run for prostate cancer takes place this Sunday in Calgary and other Canadian cities. Participants can register at fathersdayrun.ca or at the event. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Canada



Father, brother plead guilty to murder

The father and brother of a 16-year-old Mississauga, Ont., girl who was strangled in December 2007 have surprisingly pleaded guilty to second-degree murder. Aqsa Parvez's friends said she had feared for her safety in the days leading up to her death because she had clashed with her family over her reluctance to wear a hijab, and her preference for slim-fitting "Western-style" clothing.

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Ottawa Hamming it up for the camera



A man dressed up as a pig stands amongst 75 plastic pigs on Parliament Hill as the Canadian Taxpayers Federation holds a press conference in regards to MP pensions in Ottawa yesterday.

Girls put focus on poverty

G20 Summit

POLITICS What if girls ruled the G20?

They'd still talk about financial regulations and economic growth.

They'd still talk about ways to encourage foreign investment. They'd look at controlling climate change in a business-friendly way.

But in a series of e-mail interviews with young women meeting in Toronto this week for a Girls 20

summit, they'd have an overriding pre-occupation that would guide every single negotiation and debate: eliminating poverty.

The Girls Summit is the brainchild of Belinda Stronach, a former MP and now executive vice-president of Magna International Inc. Through her foundation — and with the backing of about 50 partners — she wants to empower young women, and push world leaders to do likewise, by holding an an-

nual meeting of ambitious girls in conjunction with the leaders' summit.

The Toronto meetings are a mix of serious policy discussion meant to feed into the G20 leaders' summit, on the one hand, and skills development for the women themselves on the other.

There's a bit of girl-time thrown in for good measure, including a fitness session with Olympian Charmaine Crooks.

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More ladies in politics, says summit member

Profile

- Name: Leah Stuart-Sheppard
- Age: 19
- Country: Canada



What do you believe must be done in your country to allow its female citizens to reach their greatest potential?



A It is first of all important to ensure that they are equipped with the tools they need to achieve their goals. This can be done by ensuring there is equal access to education and training for all citizens and all women, including those, like aboriginal women, who

Leah Stuart-Sheppard

Q **What do you believe are the biggest challenges for women and girls in your country?**

A A lack of political and social representation.

Women do not have an adequate voice in Parliament, affecting their relevance and presence in the social spectrum as well. Leaders need to place an emphasis on facilitating the participation of women in politics.

currently lack this opportunity.

Q **How do you think we can improve maternal health worldwide?**

A All women, regardless of location, culture, or income, must have access to efficient and effective health care. It is important to ensure that the infrastructure and human resources are in place to meet the needs of women and girls, but also that the health-care system operates within local cultural norms.

'Going to be a tough summer'

Military warns of more insurgent attacks

Struggling to make major progress before pulling out in a year, Canadian troops are coming under increasing attack from insurgents bolstered by fresh fighters.

"It's going to be a tough summer," Lt.-Gen. Marc Lessard, commander of Canadian forces abroad, told reporters yesterday. "Insurgent activity is high. What will it be a month or two from now? I don't know."

"But we're maintaining our presence, not only to counter the insurgents, but to keep the link with the population. We have to be seen."

Hours after the general spoke, the insurgents struck again, killing the chief of a district where Canadian commanders have recently seen glim-

mers of hope that elders are starting to stand up and make decisions.

Abdul Jabbar, chief of Arghandab district, was executed by a remote-controlled car bomb just outside his compound in Kandahar, to the southeast.

It was another devastating blow to efforts to build up local government, just a day after Canadian commander Brig.-Gen. Jon Vance visited Arghandab to watch local elders take cautious steps toward cooperation on a traditional council.

It isn't clear, Lessard said, whether insurgents' ranks are swelling with new recruits or their commanders are shifting veteran fighters from other areas into Kandahar province, the Taliban's birthplace.

Western forces want to

make it the Taliban's graveyard.

"This is my own personal opinion: I think it has less to do with increased insurgents in Afghanistan, but more about insurgent flexibility to move from one region, or one province, to another," Lessard said.

Brig.-Gen. Jon Vance, who commands more than 5,000 Canadian and U.S. troops in and around Kandahar city, calls the infiltrators "out-of-area insurgents."

They come from "elsewhere in the country and elsewhere in the region," he added in a veiled reference to neighboring Pakistan, which has insisted since the war began in 2001 that is not harboring Taliban or other insurgents.

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News in brief

SPENDING Members of Parliament have caved to public pressure and will permit the auditor general to look at their expenses in an effort to combat what a senior Conservative calls "an increased campaign of misinformation." MPs of all parties have been getting hammered in public opinion polls, call-in shows and newspaper editorials over their reluctance to permit the auditor general's office to examine \$500 million in annual parliamentary spending.

HATE CRIME? A Quebec teen is in trouble for allegedly inciting hatred through Facebook. Police say the teen was arrested yesterday and is charged with using his profile page to spread hatred against different minority ethnic groups.

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Vancouver Show of strength



Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall, left, watches as British Columbia Premier Gordon Campbell gestures while talking about being strong while addressing reporters before the start of the Western Premiers' Conference in Vancouver yesterday. Premiers from the western provinces and all three territories are meeting in Vancouver through today.



Semrau's court martial, Canada's first in Afghanistan, to be held near scene of alleged crime.

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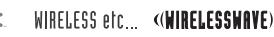
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The Mounties say an immigration consultant concocted a fake marriage scheme that helped newcomers bend the rules to get into Canada. Richard Yalaoui, a 46-year-old Montreal-based consultant, was charged yesterday with helping an unknown number of newcomers circumvent immigration rules. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

BP sets sights on Rockies

Amid Gulf of Mexico mess, opponents denounce B.C. plan

As oil continues to gush from a BP wellhead in the Gulf of Mexico, critics say the company has quietly broken ground on a controversial project in B.C.'s Rocky Mountains.

Opponents of the Mist Mountain project say they were surprised to find that BP Canada, an arm of the BP group of companies, began construction earlier this month on an exploratory well for its coalbed methane project near Fernie, B.C.

The company was granted permission to conduct the experimental drilling in

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Ryland Nelson, Wildsight

the pristine area in southeast B.C. just a few days after the Deepwater Horizon explosion and oil spill.

And the disaster unfolding in the gulf since then has renewed concerns about the BP subsidiary's plans in the Rockies.

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Columbians can be reassured that the company is a good corporate citizen.

"We are absolutely committed to doing this right," she said yesterday.

That is little comfort for Nelson, who said BP had promised to consult with the public every step of the way yet he only learned construction was underway when he went to the site Monday. Nelson said the contractor on site told him they hope to bring in drilling equipment by the end of the month and start drilling this summer.

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Military didn't want to hear whistleblower: Lawyer

HEARING Richard Colvin's lawyer says there was a "shoot the messenger" mentality at Canada's overseas command when it came to the diplomat's persistent warnings of possible torture in Afghan jails.

Open Rees says military officers and civilian defence staff just didn't want to hear it and pointed to a toughly worded memo

which recommended the whistleblower be removed from his post as No. 2 at the embassy in Kabul.

Rees yesterday questioned the senior policy adviser who managed prisoner issues at Canadian Expeditionary Force Command.

At a Military Police Complaints Commission hearing, he grilled Gabriele Duschner on a memo pre-

pared for her by a junior staff member.

It painted Colvin as troublesome because of his routine challenges of the prisoner policy and his criticism of military tactics.

It accused Colvin of "free-lancing" in his dealings with senior Afghan officials and warned that the diplomat could become a "liability" to the federal government if he persisted.

Rees noted that all of Colvin's reports were either co-authored with another diplomat — or approved by the ambassador in Kabul. He said the military didn't like hearing frank advice from civilians.

The commission is examining how Afghan detainees were treated.

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Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff says Canadian soldiers should stay in Afghanistan as military and police trainers after their combat mission ends next summer.

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overnment.

Ignatieff was outlining his foreign policy goals in a speech, backed up by a detailed policy document.

"Contributing to the capacity of the Afghan people to govern themselves effectively continues to be in Canada's interests," the policy document says. "If they do not achieve that goal, the country risks becoming again the safe haven from which al-Qaeda could resume its previous threats and planning against western democracies."

Ignatieff is also promising to promote the "right to protect" doctrine, which he, as an academic, helped the United Nations develop. And he's vowing to back that up with Canadian soldiers on UN-mandated missions to prevent genocide or ethnic cleansing.

To pay for it all, a Liberal government would reallocate the \$1.7 billion currently being spent each year on the Afghan combat mission.

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News in brief

NUNAVUT The federal government has quietly pulled the plug on controversial oilspill cleanup tests in the Arctic that would have dumped as much as 1,200 litres of crude into Lancaster Sound. The Department of Fisheries and Oceans has withdrawn its application for the tests in a letter to Nunavut's environmental regulator.

Researchers had planned a controlled release of oil from a Coast Guard vessel in the same area being considered for a national marine park be-

cause of its dramatic coastline and wildlife-rich waters — home to the majority of the world's narwhal. Inuit groups said nobody told them about the tests and expressed concern in light of other plans to explore for energy resources in the sound this summer. They wondered why Ottawa was planning to protect the area on one hand and talking about energy development and cleanup on the other. They also pointed to the Gulf of Mexico disaster.

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Husband-wife authors start project to ease money problems of Filipino newcomers

"Join a community support group that shares your concerns, get involved, and learn to manage your finances well." This is the advice of Dr. Aprodicio Laquian and his wife Eleanor to all new immigrants in Canada.

Their advice is rooted in the couple's extensive academic research from writing 20 books between them including: *Seeking a Better Life Abroad: A Study of Filipinos in Canada, 1957-2007* (2008) and *An Immigrant's Journey* (2010).

Now retired from the University of British Columbia and the United Nations, the couple feels blessed that their own migration to Canada in 1969 had been smooth. However, while writing about Filipinos in Canada, they saw that the experience of recent waves of newcomers – including thousands of domestic workers and caregivers – had not been as trouble-free.

"These newcomers needed assistance in both settling down and in managing their personal finances," observes the couple. "Among their financial issues were low wages, lack of credit history, the temptation of easy credit and the need to scrimp to send funds back home."

In 2006, Dr. and Mrs. Laquian helped the Vancouver Committee for Domestic Workers and Caregivers Rights (CDWCR) establish CARE-NET (Caregivers Network), a series of workshops and training to help caregivers do their jobs well and become landed immigrants. The workshops, held on Sundays, include a home-cooked lunch of chicken adobo and rice, as well as a free manual for caregivers.

Today, CDWCR volunteers train 50 to 75 newly-arrived caregivers each year, and resource persons conduct the workshops. For example, since personal financial management is a major component of CARE-NET, a seminar on basic banking was given by Lorina Serafico, a Scotiabank personal banking officer.

Outside of office hours at Scotiabank's Fraser and 49th Avenue Branch in Vancouver, Lorina is a CARE-NET volunteer coordinator. As a newcomer from the Philippines herself, she understands their challenges.

"Lack of funds is the main reason that newcomers delay applying for permanent residency, so I show them how much they can save in two years if they start putting away a bit every pay day. We teach them to save for their future and avoid 'Buy now, pay later' offers," Lorina says, adding that former workshop attendees now mentor other newcomers.

Lorina is also proud to represent Scotiabank due to the commitment of her co-workers and the Bank to the community, including a recent donation to set up

Canada's first Filipiniana collection of books at the Richmond Public Library. She concludes that, "It's wonderful to share our experience and knowledge to help other newcomers land more easily."

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Jesus statue hit by lightning

A 19-metre high statue of Jesus Christ with his arms raised was struck by lightning in a thunderstorm Monday night and burned to the ground, police said. The King of Kings statue, left, a familiar Ohio landmark, had stood since 2004 at the evangelical Solid Rock Church along Interstate 75, just north of Cincinnati.

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Dozens killed in Bangladesh landslides

DHAKA Powerful landslides triggered by heavy rains killed at least 49 people in southeastern Bangladesh yesterday, striking a coastal area as people slept and burying many alive inside their homes. Rescuers pulled bodies from under chunks of mud covering mostly thatched huts before rescue work was suspended because of darkness, officials said. As the rain continued to pound, officials feared the toll could rise. At least five soldiers were confirmed dead and another was missing.

ing after their camp was hit by a mudslide. The mudslides struck early yesterday in two areas in Cox's Bazar, 296 kilometres south of the capital, Dhaka, in a hilly and forested region near the border with Myanmar.

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Bloody Sunday, truth Tuesday

12-year, \$290M report blames 1972 massacre on British troops

Relatives of 13 Irish demonstrators shot to death by British troops on Northern Ireland's Bloody Sunday cried tears of joy yesterday as an epic fact-finding probe ruled that their loved ones were innocent and the soldiers entirely to blame for the 1972 slaughter.

The investigation took 12 years and nearly \$290 million US, but the victims' families and the British, Irish and American governments welcomed the findings as priceless to heal one of the gaping wounds left from Northern Ireland's four-decade conflict that left 3,700 dead.

Thousands of residents of Londonderry — a predominantly Catholic city long synonymous with Britain's major mass killing from the Northern Ireland conflict —

"Never in my wildest dreams would I ever envisage a British prime minister would stand up in parliament and tell the truth of what happened on Bloody Sunday."

Kay Duddy, sister of victim

gathered outside the city hall to watch the verdict come in, followed by a lengthy apology from Prime Minister David Cameron in London that moved many locals long distrustful of British leaders.

The probe found that soldiers opened fire without justification at unarmed, fleeing civilians and lied about it for decades, refuting an initial British investigation that branded the demonstrators as Irish Republican Army bombers

and gunmen. Cameron, who was just five years old when the attack occurred, said it was "both unjustified and unjustifiable."

"I couldn't believe it, I was so overjoyed," said Kay Duddy, clutching the handkerchief used to swab blood from her 17-year-old brother's body that day.

Jackie Duddy, the first of the 13 killed, was shot in the back.

"Never in my wildest dreams would I ever envisage a British prime minister would stand up in parlia-

ment and tell the truth of what happened on Bloody Sunday," Duddy said.

The Bloody Sunday Inquiry, authorized by then-British prime minister Tony Blair in 1998 in the run-up to the negotiation of the Good Friday peace accord that year, was led by English judge Lord Saville.

He gave the ex-paratroopers, now in their 60s and 70s, broad protections from criminal charges as well as anonymity in the witness box, citing the risk that IRA dissidents might target them in retaliation.

Some legal experts, however, said wiggle room remains for prosecutions and, more likely, civil lawsuits against retired soldiers, particularly because some of them were found to have lied to Saville.

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UN will deliver flotilla goods

MIDDLE EAST The Israeli military says an agreement has been reached with the United Nations to deliver tons of aid to Gaza carried on a flotilla attacked by Israeli naval commandos on May 31. The military said the UN will supervise use of the goods, including food, clothes and medicine. Up to now, the Hamas rulers of Gaza have refused to accept the aid as a protest against Israel's three-year blockade.

UN spokesman Richard Miron confirmed the agreement. It was unclear when the goods would be transferred and whether all the cargo will be sent. Israel seized tons of goods from the six-ship flotilla in a bloody raid last month that left nine pro-Palestinian activists dead.

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Romania Serious comparison



An elderly man watches protesters holding a picture that depicts Romania's President Traian Basescu as Adolf Hitler during an anti-government demonstration in Bucharest yesterday.

Obama declares war on Gulf oil catastrophe

WASHINGTON U.S. President Barack Obama said his administration will stop at nothing to repel the torrents of crude that's "assaulting our shores and our citizens," describing the ever-worsening ecological catastrophe in the Gulf of Mexico as an epidemic "we will be fighting for months and even years."

Obama's 18-minute speech was replete with wartime language as he described the government's "battle" against the "siege" in the Gulf of Mexico — a blown-out oil well several kilometres below the sea that's been gushing torrents of crude for almost two months and has defied all efforts to plug it.

"Stopping it has tested the limits of human technology," Obama, criticized for his sluggish response to the worst environmental disaster in American history, said during the first Oval Office address of his presidency.

He even sounded one note of optimism: oil giant BP should be able to cap-

ture 90 per cent of the crude by mid-July.

Beyond that, however, the president had harsh words for BP on the eve of his sit-down at the White House with company executives, accusing the company of "recklessness" and reiterating that it would be required to pick up the full tab.

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Mexican troops, cartel members in gun battle

MEXICO Soldiers battled gunmen for nearly an hour yesterday on the outskirts of the popular tourist town of Taxco, killing 15 suspects as escalating bloodshed puts June in line to become the deadliest month yet in Mexico's drug war.

Troops investigating suspicious activity came under fire from gunmen holed up in a house, the Defence Department said. It said no soldiers were hurt in the 40-minute shootout. Twenty guns and two homemade explosives were recovered, it added.

The battle in Guerrero state came one day after 12 federal police officers were killed in an ambush in neighbouring Michoacan state, a stronghold of drug activity. It was unclear if the two shootouts were related.

Taxco police, who spoke on condition of anonymity for security reasons, told The Associated Press that the men killed Tuesday were suspected of being tied to Edgar Valdez Villareal, a reputed U.S.-born capo known as "La Barbie." Mexican security forces have detained several alleged Valdez henchmen recently.

The shootout in Michoacan was blamed on La Familia, a different cartel from the one Valdez al-

legedly leads.

Taxco, popular with foreign visitors because of its colonial architecture and more than 2,000 silver shops, has increasingly been the scene of cartel turf battles. Two weeks ago, authorities discovered 55 bodies in an abandoned Taxco silver mine that was being used as a dumping ground for apparent victims of drug violence.

Yesterday, Mexican President Felipe Calderon's government announced some of its toughest restrictions ever on dollar cash transactions to fight money laundering that fuels drug traffickers. Tourists and Mexicans without bank accounts will be limited to exchanging a maximum of \$1,500 for pesos each month under the new rules, Finance Secretary Ernesto Cordero said.

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Americans 50 and over treated more for drug abuse: Study

America's drug abusers are going grey. The proportion of people admitted to treatment for drug abuse who are aged 50 or over nearly doubled between 1992 and 2008, a new government study says. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Was vigilante hunting for bin Laden in Pakistan?

Web essay

With a recent surge in drug-related violence, Mexican President Felipe Calderon posted an impassioned Internet essay this week defending his strategy for confronting the cartels. He vowed that the thousands of troops and federal police battling cartels will not back down.

legedly leads.

Taxco, popular with foreign visitors because of its colonial architecture and more than 2,000 silver shops, has increasingly been the scene of cartel turf battles. Two weeks ago, authorities discovered 55 bodies in an abandoned Taxco silver mine that was being used as a dumping ground for apparent victims of drug violence.

Yesterday, Mexican President Felipe Calderon's government announced some of its toughest restrictions ever on dollar cash transactions to fight money laundering that fuels drug traffickers. Tourists and Mexicans without bank accounts will be limited to exchanging a maximum of \$1,500 for pesos each month under the new rules, Finance Secretary Ernesto Cordero said.

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"God is with me, and I am confident I will be successful in killing him."

Pakistani police official Mumtaz Ahmad Khan, quoting Gary Brooks Faulkner on Osama bin Laden

arrived June 3 in the town of Bumburate and stayed in a hotel there. He was assigned a police guard, as is common for foreigners visiting remote parts of Pakistan.

When he checked out without informing police, officers began looking for him, according to the top police officer in the Chitral region, Mumtaz Ah-

mad Khan. Faulkner was found late Sunday in a forest.

"We initially laughed when he told us that he wanted to kill Osama bin Laden," Khan said.

But when officers seized the weapons and night-vision equipment, "our suspicion grew."

Chitral and Nuristan are among several rumoured

hiding places for bin Laden along the mountainous border between Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Khan said Faulkner told investigators he was angry after the Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks in the United States.

"I think Osama is responsible for bloodshed in the world, and I want to kill him," Khan quoted him as saying.

When asked why he thought he had a chance of tracing bin Laden, Faulkner replied, "God is with me, and I am confident I will be successful in killing him," Khan said.

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Botswana Princely python



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Britain's Prince Harry, left, and Prince William pose with a rock python during a visit to the Mokolodi Nature Reserve in Gabarone, Botswana, yesterday. The princes are visiting charity projects they oversee in Botswana, Lesotho and neighbouring South Africa, host of the FIFA World Cup. William is president of England's Football Association, which is bidding for the 2018 World Cup.

North Korea issues warning over accusations

SINKING North Korea warned yesterday that its military forces will respond if the UN Security Council questions or condemns the country over the sinking of a South Korean navy ship, which it vehemently denies.

At a rare news conference, North Korea's U.N. Ambassador Sin Son Ho demanded that a military investigation team from North Korea be permitted to go to the site of the sinking to verify the result of a South Korean probe "in an objective and scientific

way," which the South has refused to allow.

He said there is "a touch and go situation that a war may break out any time ... on the Korean peninsula due to the reckless military manoeuvres of South Korea," which has accused the North of torpedoing the ship and is seeking UN action to punish it.

Sin called the accusation against North Korea "a farce concocted by the U.S. and South Korea in pursuit of their political purposes" and accused the South of fabricating the results of

its investigation "from A to Z."

If the North Korean inspection team visits the site, Sin said, "everything will be clarified."

The ambassador said North Korea wasn't accusing anyone of sinking the 1,200-ton Cheonan on March 26, which claimed the lives of 46 South Korean sailors. He reiterated his government's claim that the corvette was grounded, noting that the area where it sank has "a lot of rocks."

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News in brief

BRITAIN The family of a 28-year-old woman who unknowingly received a lung transplant from a smoker says she would have been "horrified" and have lodged a complaint. Cystic fibrosis sufferer Lyndsey Scott in February 2009 received a double lung transplant from a donor who had smoked for three decades. She died in July of pneumonia. Britain's top transplant official Chris Rudge said patients should be told they are not getting a "brand new" organ. He said on the BBC that "lungs from a smoker can be working perfectly normally."

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Scotiabank StartRight® helps newcomers feel at home

Manisha and Sudhir Bagde chose to come to Canada in spite of being told by a former neighbour from Mumbai that things weren't too encouraging here right now.

Their gung-ho attitude and positive thinking underlines every statement they make.

"We came here to provide a better future for our kids. I am convinced that we will make it in Canada," says Sudhir.

An architect trained with a Master's from JJ College of Architecture, Mumbai, Sudhir was Vice-President of a very well-known construction group. He researched job opportunities in Canada and had lined up a confirmed job in Halifax before moving.

"An agent responded to my online application; we had several discussions over the phone. After a few interviews with the HR people at the firm, I had my first job offer. Unfortunately, the project was shelved, but nobody's to blame for it," says an ever-positive Sudhir. "I gained interview opportunities and experience in the process. They say they will contact me when the project gets off the ground."

Manisha, with a Masters in Fine Arts also from JJ School of Arts, ran her own design studio in Mumbai. In Toronto, she is enjoying the weather. She feels absolutely at home and finds Canadians very welcoming.

"Right now both of us are looking for jobs, but things will fall into place soon," she says confidently.

Scotiabank StartRight® gives newcomers a headstart

Pankaj Mehra, Director India and South Asia Markets at Scotiabank, tells the Bagdes, "Water finds its own level. Your positive energy is bound to be reflected in every interaction of yours."

Manisha seizes the word positive. "Everyone here is so positive! We went to Scotiabank and we felt we were with people who cared and would help."

Sudhir had met a Scotiabank representative in Mumbai who told him about the **Scotiabank StartRight® Program** for newcomers to Canada and the bank's partnership with HDFC Bank in India.

"I said, 'Good idea!'" laughs Sudhir. "The banking formalities were all completed while I was in India. I had an account in Canada the day I landed." A minor glitch was soon ironed out. The Bagdes had opened a joint account, but Manisha stayed back in India for their daughter to complete her school exams and joined Sudhir a few weeks later.

"Pankaj helped me sort things out. **Intesar Khan**, the Branch Manager at the time at Highway 10 and Ray Lawson in Brampton, opened a new account for me that I could operate until Manisha joined me."

"Everyone at Scotiabank is so positive and helpful."

"Scotiabank is committed to helping newcomers to Canada settle in well," says **Rania Llewellyn**, Vice-President, Multicultural Banking. "Newcomers like the Bagdes are such an asset to the country."

The Bagdes admit to wondering how their new neighbours would be and if the kids would settle in. Happily, they have positive things to report on both fronts. Their daughter Kruti, 17, stayed in touch with friends in India by e-mail while exploring her new neighbourhood over the summer holidays. Their son Kunal, 12, is

immersed in books he brings home from the Mississauga Public Library.

Sudhir has now become a Certified Project Manager (PMP) and working towards LEED accreditation, while extensively networking with professionals in his area.

He recounts an amusing incident. "I had to fill out a form and a lady asked me to spell my name, BAGDE, I said, BADGE, she wrote."

"How's that for Canadian experience? Maybe this 'Badge' will improve my chances!"

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What a bunch of knuckleheads

TheWestView

Paul Sullivan

Ever get the feeling you woke up on the wrong planet, somebody stole your spaceship, and it's a long walk home? That's how I felt after UFC 115 rolled through

Vancouver, landed several blows to our civic psyche, then left, vowing to return.

UFC, for the uninitiated, is short for Ultimate Fighting Championship, and 115 is the 115th event. Since UFC 1 in 1993, fighters skilled in a mix of martial arts, including jiu-jitsu, Muay Thai and boxing, have been beating the crap out of each other in front of increasingly larger crowds across the world.

What exactly is going on here? You may have heard about UFC, but don't really

know what it's about. Let me just say, ignorance is no defence.

When John McCain, the man who will go down in history as Sarah Palin's enabler, first encountered UFC, he called it "human cockfighting." Back then the tag line was: "There are no rules." Now there are rules. You can no longer, for example, break your opponent's fingers, gouge his eyes out or "kick the head of a grounded opponent." You can, of course, continue to smash him in the face

with your fists even though he's down and incapacitated.

After UFC 115, the emergency ward at Vancouver General looked like a MASH unit after a bad day on the battlefield. At least five of the combatants were hospitalized, with broken arms, hands, feet, and noses.

Here's how one sports writer, Ian MacIntyre of the Vancouver Sun, described the beating absorbed by Rory MacDonald, a 20-year-old who looks like a Brazil-

ian gangster but is just a nice kid (really) from Kelowna: "Condit's right arm worked like a piston as he efficiently cracked Rory's face and head over and over and over."

And then: "At that stage, after more than three minutes of sustained beating, Rory's defence consisted almost entirely of lolling his head from one side to another. But the cracks continued, one after another."

Under any other circumstances, this behaviour would be called by its real

name: Aggravated assault. When something like this happens at the rink, the cops investigate. At UFC, while the guy's bleeding and unconscious, there's just enough time to go for another beer.

You think boxing was bad? This is boxing on crack.

Count me out. Now, where can I catch the space taxi?

Paul Sullivan is a Vancouver-based journalist and owner of Sullivan Media Consulting; vancouverletters@metronews.ca.

Word on the street: The \$50-million Lotto Max jackpot is still up for grabs. What would you do with the money if you won?

Monika Fouad
Edmonton

A: I would probably donate half of it because I would feel bad having all that money for myself.



Justin Warfield
Halifax

A: I'd fly to Thailand and eat lots of young coconuts, and supply the rest of the world with young coconuts so we could all have perfect balance on our electrolytes.



Patricia Raulino
Toronto

A: I would buy a farm with all my favourite farm animals... I would take care of them, and make my enemies my slaves.



Robert Joa
Vancouver

A: I would travel for sure. Go to Europe, Asia, South America, everywhere. Buy a yacht, and probably do some charity work with it for sure.



Angela Blinkhorn
Dartmouth, N.S.

A: Most people won't believe me, but I'd probably just give most of it away. What else could you do with \$50 million?



Dwayne Davies
Edmonton

A: I'd be going on a long vacation somewhere tropical with my family. No idea where, just get on a plane and go beat the Alberta winters.



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Business

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Panel grills oil firms

Spill response plans called inadequate

Members of the U.S. Congress chastised the largest oil companies yesterday, accusing them of being no better prepared than BP to avert an environmental catastrophe.

With top oil company executives waiting to testify at a House hearing, Rep. Henry Waxman asserted that the companies' spill response plans amounted to "paper exercises" that mirrored BP's failed plan. Their strategies to plug a spill deep beneath the sea are the same failed strategies that have stymied BP, the California Democrat said.

Meanwhile, BP said it was speeding up payments for large commercial claims filed as a result of losses in the Deepwater Horizon explosion and spill. BP said it approved 337 payments to-

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Business in brief

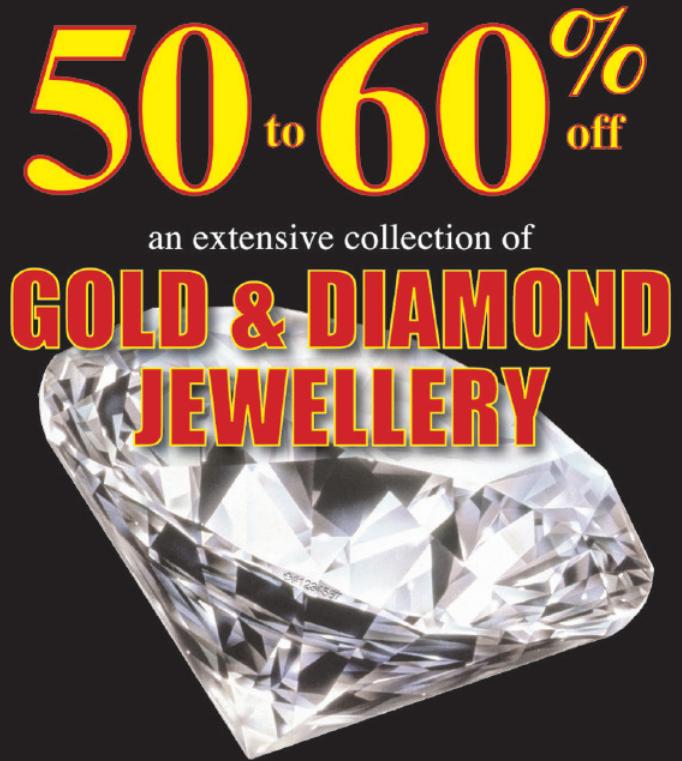
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Dwyane Wade is getting his own county. By unanimous vote, Miami-Dade County commissioners declared yesterday that the area would be known as "Miami-Wade County" from July 1 to 7, a week that coincides with the start of NBA free agency. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Sports

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Izzo to stay put at Michigan State

BASKETBALL Tom Izzo is staying at Michigan State, turning down a chance to coach the Cleveland Cavaliers and perhaps LeBron James.



"Just as I decided to stay home, I hope a 6-8, 270-pound forward in Cleveland decides to stay home," Izzo said in a statement.

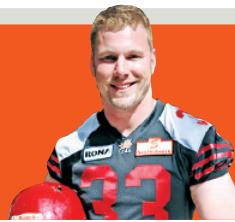
James's uncertain future will make for a difficult decision for any prospective Cavs coach. The 25-year-old superstar is unlikely to tip his hand publicly before free agency begins July 1.

This past season, Izzo led the Spartans to the Final Four for the sixth time in 12 years. Only the late John Wooden at UCLA and Duke's Mike Krzyzewski also have done that.

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For the past nine days, Izzo has been trying to decide whether to leave the place that has been his home since 1983 and jump to the NBA to perhaps make \$6 million — doubling his salary — and possibly coach one of the best basketball players in the world.

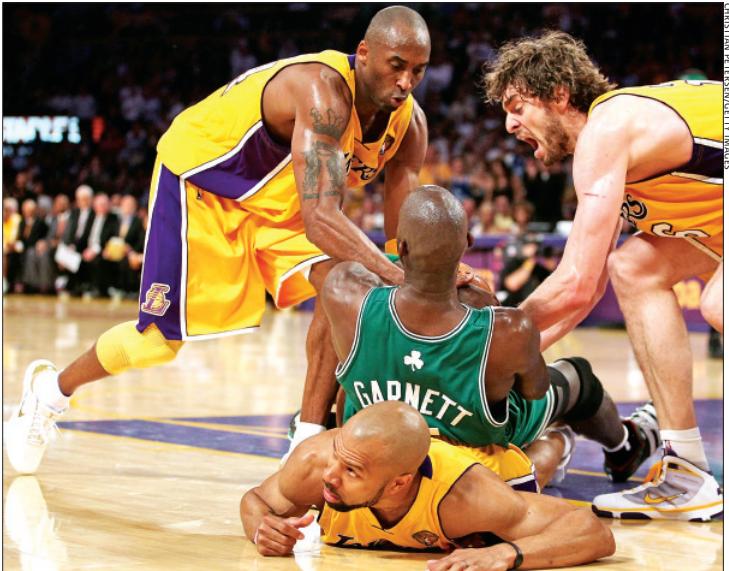
Tom Izzo



Fans give jerseys rough ride

In a province where football fans are said to bleed green, some are seeing red over the Saskatchewan Roughriders' new retro jerseys. The red-and-black retro jerseys were unveiled yesterday as part of the team's centennial celebrations. Some fans on the team's website were critical of the choice even before the jersey was unveiled. They quoted a Riders song that says "green is the colour."

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Boston Celtics forward Kevin Garnett tries to hold on to the ball under pressure from Los Angeles Lakers Kobe Bryant, left, Derek Fisher and Pau Gasol, right, last night in Los Angeles.

A different Tiger returns to Pebble Beach

GOLF The one shot that got so much attention during practice 10 years ago at Pebble Beach was a four-iron that Tiger Woods hit so high, so straight, so flush that it landed softly near the pin on a brick-hard green at the par-3 12th.

That wasn't the case yesterday at the U.S. Open.

There is not much about Woods that looks the same as it once did.

"Tiger!" he muttered to himself as his four-iron sailed weakly to the left of the 12th green, closer to the gallery than the pin.

On another chilly and overcast morning on the Monterey Peninsula, Woods hit two drives on the 13th — one left into a bunker, the other in the fairway — for his final shots of the day. His caddie retrieved the balls and followed Woods through an opening in the fence, into a van and back to the driving range. The course was too crowded, the practice round taking too long.

Nothing is comparable, in so many ways, to the last U.S. Open he played at Pebble Beach.

Ten years ago, Woods arrived at Pebble having won 12 times in the previous nine months. This year, he has finished only 13 rounds in the previous seven months. He was the overwhelming favourite in 2000, as he was at just about every tournament. This year, British bookmaker Williams Hill lists him as co-favourite with Masters champion Phil Mickelson at 8-1.

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Lakers stay alive

Blowout of Celtics extends finals to limit

(Series tied 3-3)

Celtics 67 Lakers 89



Buckle up, Boston and L.A. These epic NBA finals are going to Game 7.

Kobe Bryant made sure of it, with plenty of help from the rest of the revitalized Los Angeles Lakers.

Bryant scored 26 points, Pau Gasol added 17 points and 13 rebounds, and the Lakers emphatically extended the NBA finals to a decisive seventh game with a 89-67 victory over the Boston Celtics in Game 6 last night.

Ron Artest added 15 points for the Lakers, who stared down elimination by jumping to a 22-point lead during a dazzling first half.

While limiting Boston to the second lowest-scoring performance in NBA finals history, the defending champions stretched the finals to the limit for the first time since 2005.

A champion will be crowned tomorrow night at Staples Center.

Ray Allen scored 19 points for the Celtics, who took an ugly pratfall on the verge of winning their unprecedented 18th title. It

Perkins suffers knee sprain

Boston Celtics centre Kendrick Perkins was helped off the floor midway through the first quarter of Game 6 with a sprained right knee.

turns out their longtime rivals are still quite serious about earning their 16th championship.

Two years after the Celtics ended the finals with a 39-point blowout of the Lakers in Game 6, Los Angeles turned Game 6 into a long nightmare for Boston. Only Utah's infamous 54-point performance against Chicago in 1998 was worse than this offensive disaster, which included 33 per cent shooting and a 52-39 rebounding advantage for the Lakers.

"We did a great job," Bryant said. "We have to come with the same energy, the same dedication to defence (in Game 7)."

Bryant grabbed 11 rebounds, and Gasol led the Lakers with nine assists in a remarkable bounce-back game for Los Angeles, which dominated from the opening minutes by vacuuming up rebounds and playing relentless defence.

The Lakers' bench largely took care of the rest, outscoring Boston's re-

serves while the Celtics failed to make a run.

"Our defence was good, our rebounding was better," Lakers coach Phil Jackson said. "We had some good luck on some tips and offensive rebounds, and those things changed the course of the game."

These rivals have played a Game 7 four times in their 12 previous finals meetings, with Boston winning all four.

But it hasn't happened since 1984 — and it hasn't happened to Bryant, who looks determined to stake his claim among the NBA's greats in pursuit of his fifth championship.

Bryant was a one-man band for much of the Lakers' three-game stay in Boston, but Los Angeles was a symphony in Game 6. Gasol was a constant low-post presence after disappearing for long stretches of the series, while Artest harnessed his wildly inconsistent jumper and hit three three-pointers.

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20**World Cup****Sports in brief**

VUVUZELAS Switzerland hasn't just been honing its football skills before its World Cup opener against Spain. Coach Ottmar Hitzfeld has also trained his team to cope with the deafening din of vuvuzelas. The German coach said yesterday he scheduled an extra public training session at the team's base in South Africa and invited local fans, knowing they would bring their plastic horns.

STRIKE Security stewards angered over low pay expanded their strike yesterday to five of the World Cup's 10 stadiums, forcing police to take over their duties in a bitter counterpoint to the generally festive tournament. South African Police Services said it deployed about 1,000 extra officers in and around Johannesburg's Ellis Park to guarantee security for the night match between Brazil, one of tournament favourites, and North Korea.

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SCOREBOARD**GROUP A**

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
South Africa	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Mexico	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Uruguay	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
France	1	0	1	0	0	0	1

TODAY'S GAME

South Africa vs. Uruguay, 12:30 p.m.

THURSDAY'S GAME

Mexico vs. France, 12:30 p.m.

GROUP B

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
South Korea	1	1	0	0	2	0	3
Argentina	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Nigeria	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Greece	1	0	0	1	0	2	0

TODAY'S GAMES

Argentina vs. South Korea, 5:30 a.m.

Nigeria vs. Greece, 8 a.m.

GROUP C

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Slovenia	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
England	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
United States	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Algeria	1	0	0	1	0	1	0

FRIDAY'S GAMES

United States vs. Slovenia, 8 a.m.

England vs. Algeria, 12:30 p.m.

GROUP D

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Germany	1	1	0	0	4	0	3
Ghana	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Serbia	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Australia	1	0	0	1	0	4	0

FRIDAY'S GAME

Germany vs. Serbia, 5:30 a.m.

Ghana vs. Australia, 8 a.m.

GROUP E

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Netherlands	1	1	0	0	2	0	3
Japan	1	1	0	0	1	1	3
Cameron	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Denmark	1	0	0	1	0	2	0

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Netherlands vs. Japan, 5:30 a.m.

Denmark vs. Cameron, 12:30 p.m.

GROUP F

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Italy	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
New Zealand	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Paraguay	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Slovakia	1	0	1	0	1	1	1

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

New Zealand 1, Slovakia 1

GROUP G

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Brazil	1	1	0	0	2	1	3
Ivory Coast	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Portugal	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
North Korea	1	0	0	1	1	2	0

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Ivory Coast 0, Portugal 0

Brazil 2 North Korea 1

GROUP H

	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Chile	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Honduras	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

TODAY'S GAMES

Honduras vs. Chile, 5:30 a.m.

Spain vs. Switzerland, 8 a.m.

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World Cup



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Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo is tackled by Ivory Coast's Guy Demel, right, and Emmanuel Eboué during yesterday's World Cup Group G match in Port Elizabeth, South Africa.

Ronaldo, Drogba fail to break tie

GROUP G RESULT

Portugal 0 Ivory Coast 0



Ivory Coast drew 0-0 with Portugal at the World Cup yesterday, largely outplaying its higher-ranked opponent despite Didier Drogba only coming on as a late substitute.

Portugal captain Cristiano Ronaldo hit the post early, but Ivory Coast otherwise created the better openings in the Group G match.

"It was a tight game, not many occasions to score," Ivory Coast coach Sven-

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Goran Eriksson said. "I thought if any team was going to win, it was we. We created some more chances than they did. I am very, very happy with the performance."

"If you think about discipline and organization, I think we were organized for all 90 minutes," Eriksson added.

"They have a very good team and a lot of very good footballers, but I think we handled it very well."

Drogba came on as a 66th-minute substitute for Chelsea teammate Salomon Kalou after FIFA cleared him to play with a cast on the arm he broke in a warmup match against Japan June 4.

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New Zealand gets first point

GROUP F RESULT

New Zealand 1 Slovakia 1



DRAW Winston Reid headed in an injury-time goal yesterday to give New Zealand a 1-1 draw with Slovakia at the World Cup.

Shane Smeltz crossed the ball for Reid to head in at the near post, giving New Zealand its first point at a World Cup after going winless in its debut in 1982.

"It probably was the

most important goal of my life," Reid said. "I didn't see the ball until late. I knew that if I got it on target and didn't hit it too hard, I could just guide it in."

Robert Vittek had given Slovakia the lead in the 50th minute, heading in a cross from Stanislav Sestak after Reid let him move free.

"Tonight's a special night for me, I couldn't be any prouder," said New Zealand coach Ricki Herbert, who turned to Kiwi fans in the bleachers and pumped his arms in celebration after the late leveller.

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GMC has announced that the all-new 2011 Sierra Heavy-Duty will start at \$35,600 for the 2500 regular-cab 2WD model. The line-up will also include the first offering of the Denali trim line on a heavy-duty GMC pickup, starting at \$59,210. CANADIANDRIVER.COM

Metro Drive

Range Rover turns 40

The Range Rover celebrates its 40th birthday tomorrow, marking three generations of the luxury 4x4 SUV. The three generations were the original in 1970, the second-generation P38A in 1994 (pictured), and third-generation L322 in 2001. CANADIANDRIVER.COM

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Challenger ripped and retro

JUSTIN PRITCHARD
for Metro Canada

Thanks to tremendous loyalty, nostalgia and novelty, there's a unique list of criteria for which driving folks will spend 40-plus large on a Hemi-powered copy of Dodge's latest retro rod, the Challenger.

Sensibility isn't near the top of that list. In fact, for card-carrying Mopar nuts, chances are that considering a Mustang or Camaro amounts to blasphemy punishable by friends and family. In the interests of peace, I won't mention that new rear-drive coupe from Hyundai, either.

The gist? Dodge fans set on a Challenger RT will damn well have their rip-



The 2010 Dodge Challenger RT will please fans of old-school muscle cars.

snorting burnout monster, regardless of what some writer says about cheap dashboard plastic, noisy engines or other such fluff.

Challenger RT starts at around \$35,000, with a

five-speed automatic gearbox and 5.7 litre Hemi V8 that puts over 370 horsepower at the driver's disposal. With the optional six-speed manual transmission installed at a cost of \$2,000, drivers can blast

very quickly through first, second and third gear before velocity reaches dangerous territory. It's massive fun, backed up by fantastic muscle-car sound effects and plenty of neck-straining torque.

With the pistol-grip shifter and a just-right amount of mechanical feedback through the driveline, the Challenger RT puts on a heck of a show — and it's full of tough, manly and masculine character. It's also very true to its visual roots, which is a big deal for those shopping out a resurrected piece of their motoring youth.

All in all, Challenger looks and feels a bit old-school, and it's been selling like hotcakes because of it.

There are a few complaints, though. First, rearward visibility is limited, and mirrors are small — which can make lane-changes or parking troublesome for some drivers. The electronic throttle system can occasionally feel

2010 Dodge Challenger RT

Type: Sports coupe
Price: \$44,125 (as tested)
Engine: 5.7 litre HEMI V8, 375 horsepower
Fuel Economy (estimated): 12.5L /100km

Highlights

- Great performance
- Impressive styling
- Good cruising mileage

numb and unnatural, and the manual transmission occasionally forces drivers to perform a first-to-forth shift to save fuel, which can be frustrating.

Inside, the tester was summertime road-trip ready. There's generous room for even bigger guys and girls, relatively easy entry and exit, adequate room in every direction, and even some adult-friendly rear seats.

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Altima V6 a safe bet

JUSTIN PRITCHARD
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MODEL: 2002 to 2006 Nissan Altima
VEHICLE TYPE: Sedan
APPROXIMATE USED PRICE RANGE: \$3,500 to \$13,000

HISTORY/DESCRIPTION: The last-generation Nissan Altima did an important thing for one of the brand's most popular cars: namely catapulting it into the world of desirable and attainable sports sedans like its larger brother, the Maxima.

Larger and more powerful than any Altima before it, the 2002 to 2006 version got available V6 power, plenty of options and a responsive, performance-oriented chassis that was code-named "FF-L" by Nissan engineers.

Standard was a 2.5 litre four-cylinder engine with five-speed manual trans-

mission or four-speed automatic. Altima was also available with a new 3.5 litre V6 with 240 to 250 horsepower, depending on the year in question.

V6-powered Altima units got a five-speed transmission in either manual or automatic, as well as dual exhaust. All models were front-wheel drive.

Options available included a sunroof, CD-Changer, power leather seats, automatic lights, heated mirrors, and a tilting and telescoping steering column.

Finally, a rare Altima SE-R model was available with several visual and performance upgrades, as well as a 260-horsepower version of the V6 engine under its hood.

Note that aside from the SE-R, Nissan used trim-levels S, SE and SL for entry, mid-range and top-line Alti-

Second Gear



mas of this generation, respectively.

WHAT OWNERS LIKE: According to the majority of last-generation Altima owners polled online, styling, performance, responsiveness and even the optional Bose stereo system are highly rated. Most owners say the Altima is roomy, comfortable and easy to board and exit, too.

WHAT OWNERS HATE: Common complaints stated include a large turning circle and associated parking difficulties, as well as a noisy ride and below-expected gas mileage. Finally, owners

often note that this generation Altima was fitted with "cheaper" trim and larger interior panel gaps than a comparable Camry or Accord. A 2005 interior refresh addressed these complaints.

COMMON ISSUES: On a test-drive, check out all interior components, including the glovebox, power seats, all switches, the air conditioner and the stereo.

Ensure the engine idles, cruises and accelerates smoothly and that no "check engine" lights are illuminated—especially on earlier four-cylinder powered models. Hesitation and sputtering should be

investigated and diagnosed prior to purchase, as they could be caused by failure of one or more expensive sensors. Several recalls were eventually issued to address these sensor-related problems.

Are you a performance buff who's considering the V6 engine? Here's justification for choosing it: the Altima's four-cylinder powerplant had well-documented issues with oil consumption, defective emissions control parts and even engine failure.

These problems were addressed later in the Altima's life, though the V6 looks like the more reliable bet — especially where an earlier model is concerned.



Finally, check for floorpan rust and moisture in the carpeting, which could be the result of excessive rust on some models.

THE VERDICT: Opt for as new a used Altima as your budget allows—and go for the V6 on earlier models where possible.

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Auto products for green minds

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The firms that comprise the Specialty Equipment Manufacturers' Association (SEMA) are, and have been, at the forefront of creating aftermarket products for those with a need for speed.

Its annual trade show in Las Vegas every November has evolved into one of the biggest car events on the planet.

There might be a few too many "Girls of SEMA" pictorials coming out of the show each year, but that's such a small price to pay for such a celebration of automotive technology.

I recently spoke to Peter MacGillivray, SEMA's vice-president of events and

communications, about how some of these so-called performance products, might also be of interest to those of us with a green bent.

"SEMA has its roots in performance and motorsports, and motorsports is really about efficiencies... Squeezing every last bit of potential out of a vehicle," said Peter.

"Efficiencies create power and speed, but also fuel economy."

COLD AIR INTAKE

"The engine is a lot of things, but it's really just a big air pump," said Peter.

"The colder the air, the more efficiently it moves through the engine. Cold air intakes are relatively inexpensive and easy to install, and they'll improve both power and fuel economy."

CAT-BACK EXHAUST

Peter notes it's illegal to modify the catalytic converter of your exhaust system, nor any part between it and the engine. But any-



The SEMA trade show is one of the largest automotive aftermarket events in North America.

thing rear-ward of the converter is all yours.

"A low restrictive cat-back exhaust works on the same principal as the cold air intake — it's all about better air flow. A lot of people who tow horse trailers or boats, will use a combination of a cold air intake and a cat back exhaust system, to help their fuel economy."

ENGINE PROGRAMMING KIT

Yes, throw away your screwdriver and start clicking your mouse. For years now, gearheads with some faculty in computer programming, have been modifying their car's engine management systems, to change up things like shift points, fuel mixtures, torque curves, etc.

But Peter tells us that virtually everyone can do it now, with the arrival of super easy-to-use programming kits.

"They make it real easy for you. They ask you want you want to accomplish... More fuel efficiency? More torque for towing? More acceleration? And you can always change it up."

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A tonneau cover not only protects your stuff in the back of your pickup, and looks good, but also make your rig way more aerodynamic.

GREEN TIRES

The industry is moving to tires that have low rolling resistance, to net you more clicks per litre. They're also manufactured more ecologically. But Peter says you can make your current tire "green" by simply buying a very low-tech device, called a tire pressure gauge. It's not a big secret that an underinflated tire is a greedy tire.

Finally, if you have a vehicle you're not exactly proud of, the kind you only drive with a bag over your head, then consider any performance or cosmetic product. It might "recycle" your pride of ownership.

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for over 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

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Workology

Quebec PSE on the precipice

McGill University principal Heather Munroe-Blum addressed the Canadian Club of Montreal this week and talked of the fragile state of PSE in the province. She says the main reason for its shortcomings is that the province has the lowest per-student funding in Canada. Only one Quebec university has cracked the top 100 of any global rankings, or even the top 10 in all three Maclean's rankings.

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Lasik: Where the eyes are the prize

RAFAEL BRUSILOW
For Metro Canada

Doctors Mark Cohen and Avi Wallerstein, founders of Lasik MD, are some of the most experienced laser eye surgeons in the world, both performing around 50,000 corrective surgeries.

Fixing eyes with lasers may seem like a concept right out of sci-fi novel but for the Canadian founders of Lasik MD it's a lifelong dream come true.

Doctors Mark Cohen and Avi Wallerstein met in their residency at McGill University and after a stint working together decided to open their own private company in 2001. Lasik MD started with just two clinics in Montreal and Toronto and a call centre located in the basement of a photocopy store, yet today Lasik MD is Canada's largest provider of laser vision correction and has more than 25 clinics coast to coast including their first American clinic in Syracuse, New York.

Cohen says the rapid growth of Lasik MD has been a whirlwind he never foresaw. Starting a business just wasn't part of his original plan and he had to learn business by doing.

"I never expected to run a business or a national company, that was never part of the equation. (Avi and I) didn't have any formal business training, we learned by osmosis, just by exposure to being in the presence of business people. That allowed us an opportunity to develop good business skills," Cohen said.

When they started, Cohen and Wallerstein believed offering laser eye surgery for a cheaper price would increase the volume of surgeries performed dramatically, making it more cost effective and ensuring surgeons would become experienced in the best possible techniques much more quickly. That idea has proven true in practice as today more than 50 Lasik MD surgeons conduct about 60,000 laser vision correction surgeries every year, almost half of

all such surgeries done in the world.

The surgery itself generally takes less than 10 minutes meaning a single surgeon can perform up to 20 surgeries each day and the process is painless, with recovery typically taking only 24-48 hours. Of the roughly half million surgeries Lasik MD has performed since its inception, Cohen and Wallerstein alone have completed more than 50,000 corrective surgeries each making them some of the most experienced laser eye sur-

geons in the world. Cohen's enthusiasm for his job still shines through and the best proof is that he still keeps to a full surgery schedule at least two days every week. While he admits enjoying the business side of his life the medical side is still the most important to him and Wallerstein.

"We have no interest in selling the company and going public. I eat, drink and sleep this stuff. This is our profession, we're in it for the long haul," Cohen said.

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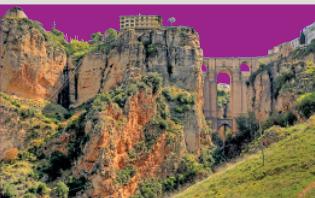
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Travel



Spain topping the list

Spain's impressive cultural heritage has once again been recognized by an international organization. Spain now holds the honour of being the second country in the world with the highest number of monuments declared as World Heritage by the UNESCO. Added to this legacy, an incredibly rich and varied gastronomy and a nightlife is making Spain a key destination for those who wish to experience a new culture this summer. For more info visit spain.info

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MEET THE WORLD

Austin

Texas' rock 'n' roll heart

If you can stomach the Sweet Home Alabama feel at times, Austin, Texas, is one of the best places in the South to relax, drink beer and listen to live music.

PAUL BALDWIN
Metro World News



The "Welcome to Texas" road sign takes pride in noting that it's the "Home of George W Bush."

The idea that having spawned Dubya should give you bragging rights rather than a lifetime of humbly apologizing will leave many travellers slightly perplexed. But this is Texas and, as far as most people here are concerned, Texas is it's own nation state. And, a somewhat fiercely Republican one at that.

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liberalism, free-spirits, open minds, jazz, blues, rock and dope. All of

which makes it a pretty sexy little hang-out.

It's been said that every

second of every day someone, somewhere in Austin is playing Sweet Home Al-

bama. But, if you can stomach that, then Austin is one of the best cities in the world to drink beer and chill. This city is Texas' secret beatnik hippy heart. Oh and it really loves its music.

**IT'S MY FIRST TIME,
WHAT SHOULD I DO?**

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**I'VE BEEN BEFORE,
WHAT SHOULD I DO?**

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Much of Austin's history revolves around government and politics and this stunning pink granite building with extensive gardens is the centrepiece. Just what pioneer and "Fa-

ther of Texas" Stephen F Austin would make of the slackers and stoners in Sixth Street is anyone's guess. But his role has largely been superseded by Stevie Ray Vaughan anyway.

**WHERE'S THE BEST
SHOPPING?**

You want to shop? In Austin? Chill out man. Okay, there's a pretty funky Whole Foods Market on Sixth and Lamar and the Sunday Gospel Brunch (aka Hippie Church) at Maria's Taco Xpress on Lamar Blvd is very cool.

**WHAT'S THE
NIGHT LIFE LIKE?**

Pretty sensational. More than 200 live music venues, pubs, clubs and bars are crammed into this fairly compact city so the choice is yours.

**WHERE SHOULD
I STAY?**

The classiest choice is probably the Driskill Hotel, at 604 Brazos Street. It's Austin's oldest and feels right — about \$100 a night. A bit pricier, but achingly cool, is the San Jose Hotel.



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Stroll through English history

PAUL BALDWIN
Metro World News

Eighty years ago this week a stonemason from Blackburn, England, made his first visit to the Lake District. Mesmerized by the beauty, Alfred Wainwright dedicated the rest of his life to creating guidebooks of sublime artistry.

Wainwright is a peculiarly English national treasure. Gruff, northern,

dogmatic, and entirely unattracted by the fripperies of celebrity.

He nonetheless created a series of hand-written and hand-illustrated guide books almost as beautiful as the Lake District itself — and became an unlikely star.

On June 7, members of the Wainwright Society marked the anniversary of the great man's first visit to "The Lakes."

We asked founding member John Bullard just

what was so special about the region, the man and for a few of his favourite region walks.

"The English Lake District is a fell-walker's theme park, there is just so much variety packed into such a small space," Bullard said.

"It's only really 20 miles from north to south and a little more East to West but we've got such a wide ranging group of fells from the gentle ones at about 300 metres to Scafell Pike

at 978 metres, the highest mountain in England."

Wainwright was born in the grimy industrial mill town of Blackburn and John says his genius was to capture both the beauty of the Lake District together with precise information for the first time.

"In the '50s and '60s they were the most progressive and comprehensive guides available and for me, even in the age of GPS, they have never been surpassed," Bullard said.



England's Lake District is a boundless array of hiking trails.

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Step off the pages, into a traveller's reality

ROMINA MCGUINNESS
Metro World News

Sometimes a novel can so perfectly capture the nature of a place that it becomes mandatory reading for any traveller. We've chosen our favourite three

In search of lost time

Paris

One of France's most acclaimed literary figures Marcel Proust's collection

of novels trace the culture and history and dramas of 18th century Paris. Order a café crème and "croque monsieur" as you settle on one of the rickety chairs outside Café de Flore. Get lost in the description of the eclectic life of main protagonist as you people watch Parisians sashay by in their classical, cool manner.

Best read in:

Café Flore

James Bond
Jamaica

Author Ian Fleming's estate is now a luxury island resort and you can stay in the enchanting villa that inspired one of the biggest spies of all time. You'll feel like you've stepped into your own James Bond fantasy movie, although a Ursula Andress look-a-like isn't part of the deal.

Best read on:
Oracabessa Beach

Love in time of cholera
Columbia

This story of unrequited love is set in the steamy and sleepy town of Cartagena. Gabriel Garcia Marquez passionately describes the humid and tropical surroundings, colonial architecture and hazy street life of this captivating city. The walled old town is a gem.

Best read in:
Cartagena

In search of lost time is best read in Paris' Café Flore.

The Caribbean beachfront resort The Ritz-Carlton, Cancun has been recognized as one of the Top 5 World's Best Service for Mexico by the prestigious Travel + Leisure Magazine. ritzcarlton.com. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Good find

If you're looking for a good deal on a place to stay then try the Scarlet Hotel.

- This boutique hotel ideally located in Chinatown is a great place to spend your stay.
- Decorated to resemble a baroque mansion, the interior is a blend of rich red, gold and black tones.
- The rooftop terrace is great for pre dinner cocktails.
- thescarlethotel.com



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Slinging style in Singapore

Visit a city with a touch of eccentric

ROMINA MCGUINNESS
Metro World News

It may be freakishly clean and organized — and seem a little eccentric — but Singapore also has natural beauty and style.

Find out the things to do, see and experience in Singapore.

SEE

The wildlife

Bukit Timah nature reserve is a stunning jungle trek with cheeky lemurs leaping above your head. The wildlife is no less lively at night and Night Safari, a park specializing in night tours allows you to see animals that snooze by day such as the royal Bengal tiger, Nepalese rhino.

HEAR

Zouk

It's three for the price of one at Zouk. One venue, three different beats and vibes — from hip hop to electro to pop. DJ Andrew Chow, now a regular at club N.3, Phuture, runs the infamous Flava Fridays.

SAY

Time for toast

Singaporeans love to start off the day with some Kaya on toast, a sweet spread made from eggs, coconut milk, sugar and pandan preserves.

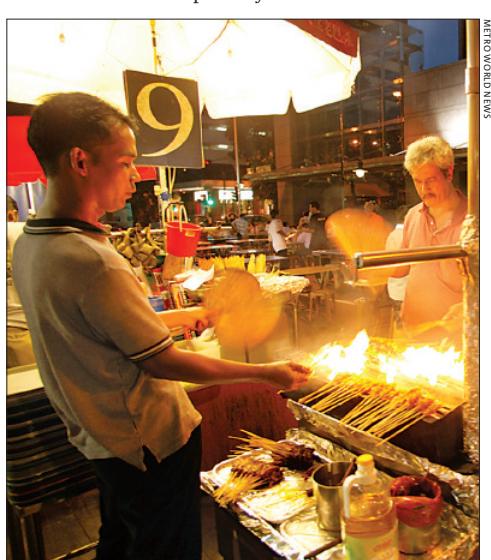
To go with it, have a steaming cup of teh tarik, tea and condensed milk.

DON'T SAY

No to a shisha

For a truly eclectic experience Bussorah Street in the Arab Quarter is the direction to take.

Men smoke out of shisha pipes as you may catch a belly dancing show while you do.



Hawker stalls line the streets of Singapore.

within the same space. Yixing Xuan teahouse is where you get to do all of this as well as buy tea leaves so you can carry on brewing back home. Choose from all varieties including green, black, white oolong and pu-erh.

If tea isn't your drink of choice (especially in the evenings) have a Tiger beer.

EAT

At Hawker Stalls

Culinary melting pots fusing Chinese, Indian and Malay influences into sizzling woks and pans. Open-air food courts called Hawker Stalls are where you'll eat the tastiest and most authentic dishes. Walk down Maxwell Road where cooks flaunt their skills by shouting out for your attention.

Sample anything from cinnamon and tamarind tart to barbecued tiger prawns and a refreshing drink of grass jelly and aloe vera.

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Get paid to shop

The Shops at North Bridge Shopping Package offers guests overnight accommodations at the Chicago Marriott, breakfast for two at hotel restaurant Harvest, and a \$50 American Express gift card to The Shops at North Bridge. (chicagomarriottdowntown.com). METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Gadgets to start your trip off right

Metro finds the best gadgets to help you on your travels.

Start your trip with these three:

**SOTO POCKET TORCH
\$17**

"Torch" as in flame-thrower rather than as in flashlight. This super-clever little gadget takes a universally available bog-standard disposable lighter and turns it into an

invaluable hiker's tool. Rain pouring and you're struggling to light the stove? Not with this fella. It'll even make your trusty Zippo look lame.

So hot — that would be 1300C — it can

also be used for brazing and soldering. (sotooutdoors.com)

**BLACK DIAMOND ORBIT ULTRA-LIGHT LANTERN
\$33**

This is one tough little light. It weighs just over four ounces and is only four inches long when collapsed for stuffing in your backpack but it's fantastically bright, dependable and, we hesitate to

say, friendly.

Perfect for campfires, outside the RV, or even in the garden the little Orbit runs for 11 hours — even longer on the lower settings. And, bizarre though it sounds, the LED light given off is just, well, cheery

**THERMAREST NEOAIR MATTRESS
\$80**

The NeoAir mattress claims to be the world's "most advanced engineering in ultralight

comfort." What that means of course is anyone's guess but this is a ridiculously comfy inflatable camping mattress which rolls up to the size of a one-litre water bottle. It weighs a mere 14oz and includes a heat barrier designed to reflect body warmth back to the body. Doubles as a decidedly comfortable party bed too.



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Tokyo can be expensive. Find out how to save a few bucks.

Get up to speed in Japan's capital city

ROMINA MCGUINNESS
Metro World News

Always a step ahead Tokyo is a city with a unique buzz and attitude.

It's impossible not to get caught up in this city which constantly seems to be playing life on fast forward.

Metro shows you how to do the lifestyle on a budget.

If you have it, spend it

- If you have the money try eating at Agawa. Beef from sake-fed cattle which get reg-

- ular massages comes at a price but the Kobe beef here is among the world's finest.

DAILY BUDGET \$50 EAT

Dai-ichi Sushi

Breakfast queues outside this sushi bar start as early as 5 a.m. Located in the Tsukiji fish market it's all

super-fresh. Order a green tea, miso soup with clams and an aguro maki (tuna roll).

STAY
Tokyo International Hostel

The high-rise buildings' large windows offer sweeping views of the city and the dormitories are adequately furnished. (tokyo-ih.jp)

GO

Sumo Wrestling

Once upon a time, this was the only sporting activity approved by shoguns that didn't involve killing people. Immensely entertaining and surprisingly little serious damage.

New kids shows

Five new shows are on the way from Teletoon Canada. The kids channel says upcoming projects include a live-action series based on the TV movie *My Babysitter's a Vampire*. The channel announced the plans today at the Banff World Television Festival. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Dramatic inevitability

Dexter Season 4's shocking finale was the right move, says creator

Dexter creator James Manos Jr. says it was simply the right time to eliminate one of the show's most beloved characters in last season's shocking finale.

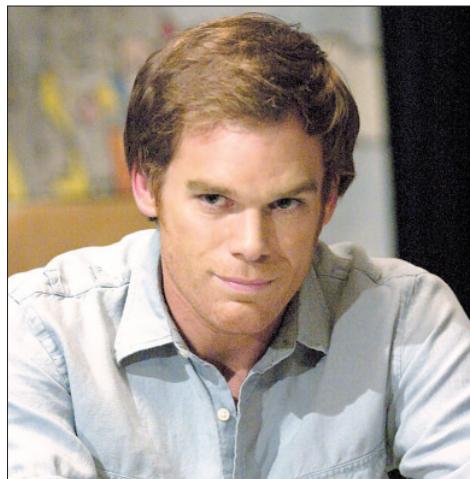
Anyone not caught up on the dark escapades of the fictional serial killer Dexter Morgan may want to stop reading here, lest they spoil one of the most devastating twists to come out of the provocative Showtime series, which aired on The Movie Network and Movie Central in Canada.

"It sucks, quite frankly, when anybody dies off the series," concedes Manos Jr., who wrote and cast the pilot but was not involved in Season 4.

"For the actual show itself, the big picture of the show, it was the right time, it was the right play. I think the writers who took over the show after I left did a really smart job. I thought they handled it really elegantly and I thought it seemed very natural and normal and the right thing to do."

Of course, "natural and normal" are relative concepts in the world of Dexter.

Last season kicked off with the psychopathic blood-spatter analyst settling into fatherhood as he stalked a serial killer that seemed to do the impossible — juggle a picture-perfect family life with a decades-long compulsion to kill.



Actor Michael C. Hall in a scene from Dexter, in which he plays a blood-spatter analyst by day and vigilante serial killer by night.

But when Dexter finally does away with the so-called Trinity Killer, played by John Lithgow, he returns home to find he was too late to save one last victim — his own wife, Rita. Sitting next to her in a pool of

his mother's blood is their baby son Harry. In an instant, all the normalcy that Dexter believed was finally his comes crashing down in the most pointed way possible.

Dramatically speaking,

killing off Rita was an inevitability, says Manos Jr., noting that from the very beginning, he envisioned her as the key factor that could make Dexter human.

"Her bringing that humanity into his life was great, it was the purpose of it, to see whether or not he's going to become human and stop," says Manos Jr., who adapted the pilot from the series of Dexter novels by Jeff Lindsay. He also won an Emmy for his work as a co-producer and writer on *The Sopranos*.

"Is Dexter going to become so human that he stops killing? (But) we don't want him to stop killing because we want those bad guys to go."

Manos Jr. outlined the intricacies of building a TV show around serial killer at the Banff World Television Festival on Monday, and his afternoon session grew so popular that observers overflowed out of the hotel conference room in which it was held.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Medieval-themed game show

NEW SHOW A medieval-themed game show called *Splatålöt*, which is geared to eight-to-12-year-olds, is bound for Canada, the U.K. and Australia.

The Toronto-based company marblemedia is teaming up with YTV in Canada, BBC in the U.K. and ABC in Australia to produce the obstacle course competition.

Producers announced the series at the Banff

World Television Festival. They say three versions of the show will be shot and customized for each country, with two hosts selected from Canada, the U.K. and Australia.

Each episode will feature a group of teen contestants who must compete in three cringe-inducing rounds: Cross the Moat, Storm the Castle, and Steal the Crown.

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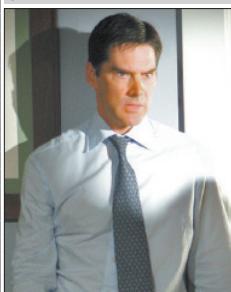
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critics' corner

Criminal Minds

Rossi and Hotchner (Joe Mantegna, Thomas Gibson) and the team try to figure out the motive of a truck driver who is kidnapping women and disposing of them in random places. Gabrielle Carteris ("Beverly Hills, 90210") guest stars as one of the trucker's victims. Paget Brewster, Shemar Moore, Matthew Gray Gubler, A.J. Cook and Kirsten Vangsness also star in "Solitary Man." 11 PM on KREM



TV's Greatest Surprises: A Paley Center for Media Special

If you watch television, you've experienced those "What the ... ?" moments. Thirty of them are compiled in this new special, hosted by Jeff Probst ("Survivor") and featuring commentary from Tina Fey, Ellen DeGeneres, Whoopi Goldberg and many others. The list won't be revealed until airtime, but you can probably expect to see the famous Bobby Ewing shower scene from "Dallas" in there somewhere. 9 PM on KREM

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The winner of the CBS reality show Big Brother 9 is expected to change a not-guilty plea he made last year in a drug case. Adam Jasinski was arrested in October after allegedly showing a government witness two plastic bags filled with oxycodone. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Karen Elson's debut album, *The Ghost Who Walks*, is a mix of folk, country and gothic music.

Hidden songs

Model Elson brings her music 'out of the closet'

It has taken at least a decade, but British model Karen Elson finally is out of the closet with her debut album, *The Ghost Who Walks*.

The closet literally is where she would go, time and again, to write songs — and until recently, that's where they stayed.

"My closet is a completely messy, disorganized place filled with way too many clothes and mess everywhere, but it was a safe place on many different levels," she said. "First of all, it was a quiet place, which I really need to be quiet when I'm writing a song, or at least feel like I'm completely alone, but maybe on a subconscious level I just was sort of hiding myself."

One reason Elson hesitated to reveal her work is because she's married to rocker Jack White, front man and guitarist of The White Stripes and The Raconteurs and drummer for The Dead Weather.

"I'd never heard her talking about making an album or recording a song or even writing a song," said White in a separate interview. "I'd never heard her talking about any of those things. She'd been in this political

cabaret group called the Citizens Band for years, and I'd always known she sings like an angel, gorgeous voice."

"But then I came across that she had been writing a couple songs — she'd just been hiding them," he added.

"I was," admitted Elson. "But it wasn't that I was purposely hiding them from him. ... The way I write songs I've come to realize is that it's a very, very isolated experience for me, and I keep it very private until I feel ready to let them go."

Elson felt "daunted" when she finally played White the first couple of songs she had written for the record.

"It was so many different emotions," said Elson. "... to be so vulnerable as well and show the person that you're in a relationship with another side of you, something they know about, but maybe he didn't know how deeply involved I was."

After hearing a few songs, White coaxed her to reveal more, and they eventually went into the studio to record them.

"I put together a band

Power couple

- Karen Elson, 31, is married to The White Stripes frontman Jack White and lives in Nashville with their two children.

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and I played drums for her. We just thought, 'Let's see where we can go with this. Who knows what it's going to be like?' It turned into something incredible," he said, describing the album as a mix of folk, country and a "beautiful voice on top of it."

Raconteurs, Greenhornes and Dead Weather bassist Jack Lawrence played on Elson's record, which was released on White's label, Third Man Records, last month. He hopes that Elson's career as a supermodel doesn't cause possible listeners to pass judgment prematurely.

"I hope people aren't cynical about it and dismiss it," said Lawrence. "It's a really good record, and if you take the time and really listen to it, I think you'll find out that there are good songs there."

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The good father

Hollywood movies simplify the role of fatherhood

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

In Hollywood, dads get no respect.

Just look at the foolishness of fatherhood in such big-screen duds as Furry Vengeance, Old Dogs or Daddy Day Camp. Well-meaning as they are, these blundering papas are anything but capable.

But is cinema accurately servicing the image of our everyday dads? Not so, according to Dale Curd. As one of Canada's leading authorities on men's issues and host of GuyTalk (a weekly radio show on Toronto's Newstalk 1010), Curd hints that Hollywood has been shortsighted on the portrayal of papas.

"I don't think Hollywood is giving us movies that show how committed fathers actually are to the role of fathering," stated Curd while pointing out the success of Sandra Bullock in the maternal drama The Blindside which only displays a gender disparity.

"What made the story compelling was that this was a woman who is nurturing a young man who isn't her own so it goes against the mother archetype," said Curd. "We're



Viggo Mortensen in *The Road*, above, and, Will Smith in *The Pursuit of Happyness*, left, are both examples of characters that portray positive father figures.

not in that conversation yet when it comes to fathers ... I think Hollywood believes that it isn't as compelling a story."

While Curd believes competent dads are cer-

tainly more common than not, triumphant fatherhood is the exception in movies. However, Hollywood doesn't shy away from more dichotomized dad stories exemplified by

such common archetypes as the Doofus Father found in comedies like Furry Vengeance ("he's a guy who's in a level of arrested development emotionally") He's a child himself and he behaves like a big child" or the Vengeful Father — displayed by Liam Neeson's character in Taken ("who's exacting out some level of revenge or anger like he's correcting a wrong").

Still, while



movies may continue to simplify the role of fatherhood, Curd notes there is one recent film that accurately depicts dad in a positive light ... but even that comes with a catch.

"Cormac

McCarthy's vision of the father in *The Road* is fairly correct," said Curd of Viggo Mortensen's character in the apocalyptic-set thriller. "Interesting enough (it seems to Hollywood), it has to be end of the world before fathers step up."

Memorable Movie Dads

- **Atticus Finch**, *To Kill a Mockingbird* (1962) — played by Gregory Peck
- **Stanley Banks**, *Father of the Bride* (1950) — played by Spencer Tracy
- **Ted Kramer**, *Kramer Vs. Kramer* (1979) — played by Dustin Hoffman
- **Chris Gardner**, *The Pursuit of Happyness* (2006), played by Will Smith
- **Guido Orefice**, *Life is Beautiful* (1997) — played by Roberto Benigni

Mandel relishes offbeat and gifted role as Talent judge

TELEVISION Howie Mandel contends there's a Tiny Tim-sized void in entertainment today, and he aims to fill it as a judge on America's Got Talent.

Joining the NBC show this season is allowing the 54-year-old comedian to exercise his taste, which he cheerfully acknowledges embraces the good, the bad and the weird.

"As much as I love seeing somebody undiscovered and unique, there's something to be said for the insanity and the train wreck. I'm mesmerized by something I don't understand because it looks like it's bad," said the Toronto-born TV personality.

I'm just as taken by that as I am brilliance."

America's Got Talent, in its fifth season, is hosted by Nick Cannon and includes

Sharon Osbourne and Piers Morgan on the judging panel with Mandel.

In the early going, Mandel's been charmed by the likes of an impersonator who's billed as "the man of 100 voices" — all of which, he said, "sound exactly the same."

Like Ted Mack's The Original Amateur Hour, a show Mandel recalls at

tending as a child, he appreciates that America's Got Talent throws "a wide net, whether dancer, singer, magician."

Unconventional acts deserve a place in show business, too, he contends.

"There's a void right now for entertaining insanity,"

Mandel said, citing such examples as comedian Professor Irwin Corey and Tiny Tim, the high-voiced ukulele player who was a frequent guest on Johnny Carson's *Tonight Show* in the 1960s and '70s.

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Hong Kong actor Jaycee Chan and actress Fiona Sit react during the premiere of their new film Break Up Club in Hong Kong on Monday. Jaycee, Jackie Chan's son said he's overcome initial doubts about joining his father in show business, but he prefers making music over movies.

Karaoke over kung fu

Jackie Chan's son would rather make music than movies

Jackie Chan's son says he has overcome initial doubts about joining his father in show business, but he prefers making music over movies.

Six years after his movie and album debut, 27-year-old Jaycee Chan said he was starting to shed the baggage of his famous family name and finding his niche in the Chinese entertainment industry.

"At first I did (have doubts), but not any more because I found quite a few supporters and fewer

"At first I did (have doubts), but not anymore because I found quite a few supporters and fewer and fewer haters."

Actor and singer Jaycee Chan

think music is more than only love. It can be family love. It can be friendship," Chan said.

He said he enjoys music more than the trade of his action-star father.

"My music career is actually more important than my movie career because music is me, only. I create them (the songs), I sing them, I write them, I direct most of my own music videos," said Chan, who penned 16 of the 18 songs on his new album.

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If your Christmas wish list includes moonwalking with Jacko, you're in luck

Michael Jackson fans will be able to moonwalk next to the King of Pop in a new video game to be released this holiday season by Ubisoft Entertainment. The as-yet-unnamed game will be among the first to use new motion-detecting camera systems. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Celebrity Buzz

Amy back in rehab

'WELCOME BACK! THEY ALL CRIED IN UNISON, AS AMY SETLED COMFORTABLY INTO THE ROOM THEY KEEP ESPECIALLY FOR HER' Amy Winehouse headed back to rehab recently in an apparent bid to please her new boyfriend, according to the Sun. Film producer Reg Traviss hasn't been thrilled with her partying ways, sources tell the newspapers. "When she's not on the bottle



they get on brilliantly. But Reg has told her to quit the

booze, otherwise he'll be off, and she hit it hard last week," a source says. "She wants to keep him so has decided to make a huge effort to stay sober." That huge effort reportedly included checking herself into the London Clinic once again.

Most people have lost count as to what number this visit to the clinic comprises.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Stars to protest dolphin hunt in Japan

GUESS WE WON'T BE SEEING JENNIFER ANISTON IN ANY MORE JAPANESE BEER COMMERCIALS The former dolphin trainer and main character in the Oscar-winning documentary about the dolphin hunt in Japan said yesterday he has invited Darryl Hannah and other Hollywood stars to the village of Taiji to prevent the killings from starting again.

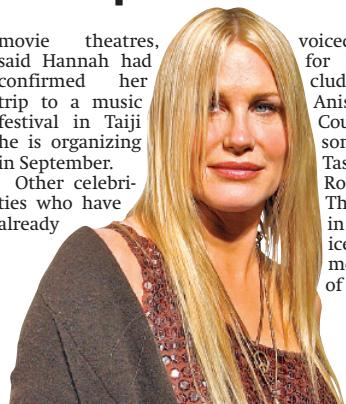
Ric O'Barry, whose documentary *The Cove* has been cancelled in Japan following threats against

movie theatres, said Hannah had confirmed her trip to a music festival in Taiji he is organizing in September.

Other celebrities who have already

voiced their support for his cause include Jennifer Aniston, Courteney Cox, Jason Mraz, Chris Tashima and Robin Williams. They all appear in a public service announcement in support of *The Cove*.

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B.Coop's tabloid trauma

... HE WHINES TO THE TABLOID REPORTER Bradley Cooper admits he used to be a fan of supermarket tabloids — until he started appearing in them himself. "I was one of those people who believed what they read," he says, according to Hollyscoop. "Except for the aliens and stuff." But once

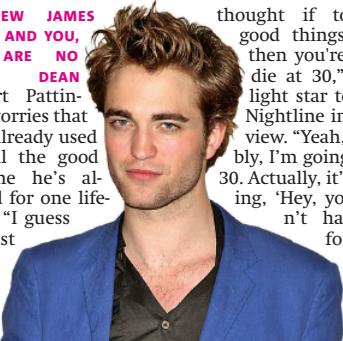
his growing fame made him a hot topic for the publications, he started questioning their content. "At first it was shocking how untrue everything was," he says. "Dates with women I've never had, houses I've never owned in areas I could never afford."

METRO WORLD NEWS



Twilight star's death wish

I KNEW JAMES DEAN, AND YOU, SIR, ARE NO JAMES DEAN Robert Pattinson worries that he's already used up all the good fortune he's allowed for one lifetime. "I guess I just



thought if too many good things happen, then you're going to die at 30," the Twilight star tells ABC's *Nightline* in an interview. "Yeah, so probably, I'm going to die at 30. Actually, it's God saying, 'Hey, you shouldn't have asked for too much.'"

METRO WORLD NEWS

No diapers for Diaz

THIS MAY BE THE MOST INTELLIGENT THING SHE'S EVER SAID Cameron Diaz doesn't have plans to start a family anytime soon. "Having children changes your life drastically, and I really love my life," she tells *InStyle* magazine. "Children aren't the only things that bring you gratifi-



cation and happiness, and it's easier to give life than to give love, so I don't know. That kind of change would have to be either very well thought out, or a total mistake — a real oops." For now, Diaz is happy focusing on the children already in her life. "I can be a pretty good aunt," she says. "It doesn't quite have the same impact."

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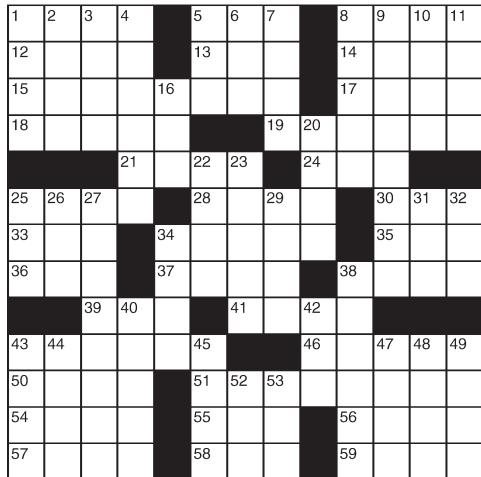


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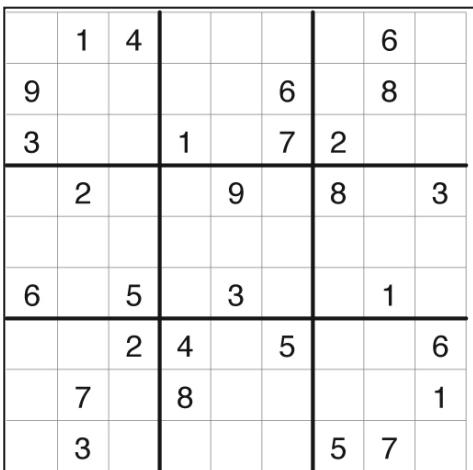
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MARCH 21-APRIL 20



Friends will go out of their way to assist you today, so don't sit there pretending that everything is fine when it isn't.

LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23



Approach the day in a positive frame of mind and you will accomplish a lot. Approach the day in a negative frame of mind and nothing much will get done.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



If you need to persuade someone to give you something today you will no doubt be successful, but is it something you really need?

SCORPIO

OCT 24-NOV 22



You may not be able to explain how you have reached a certain conclusion but your instincts tell you they are right, so trust them.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



So many things are going right for you now and you are starting to believe that you are on the verge of a major breakthrough.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23-DEC 21



Certain people may not deserve your support but you should give it anyway, simply because you may need their help towards the end of the week.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



Your main problem at the moment is that you are worrying about things that will probably never happen.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



The more time you spend planning what you are going to do the more likely it is that your efforts will bring success.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



You seem to be rather pleased with yourself at the moment, and with good reason. According to the planets you are in tune with the spirit of the times.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



If you are the kind of Aquarius who likes to be boss then what happens today will give you the chance to prove you have what it takes to lead other people.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



You may be nervous by nature but you can also be incredibly brave and you will find the courage to make a difficult decision today.

PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20



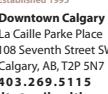
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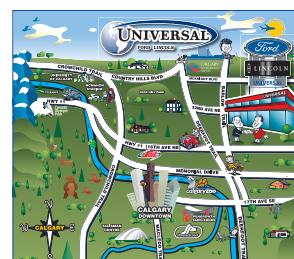
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